



How to Tighten the Nishiki Aero II Chain

When your chain is too loose, it is liable to fall off, and you may have trouble shifting. This guide fixes that.

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INTRODUCTION

Chain tension is important for the proper operation of your bike.

If the chain is too loose, then the derailleur may not function optimally, and the chain isn't as coupled with the bike's gears.

This guide shows you how to tighten your chain by simply nudging the rear wheel farther back in its housing, placing more tension on the chain so that it is no longer loose.

Step 1 — How to Tighten the Nishiki Aero II Chain



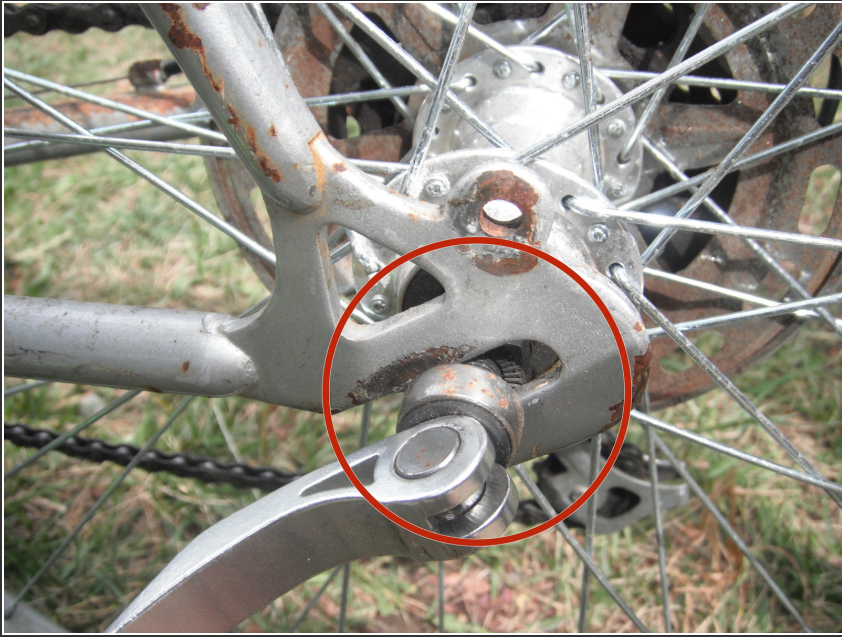
- Shift the rear derailleur into its outermost gear, and the front derailleur into its outer gear.

Step 2



- Open the quick-release lever on the rear axle.
 - ⓘ Quick-release levers are designed to allow you to remove a wheel by hand, with no tools.
- Continue to loosen the axle by hand until you can freely move the axle in its notch in the rear fork.

Step 3



- Move the axle farther back along the notch in the fork so that the chain is taught between the cogs.
- ⓘ You might want to ask a friend to help you keep everything steady.
- ⚠ Be careful when choosing the new position for the axle; make sure that the wheel will be aligned with the frame.

Step 4



- Now that the axle is placed correctly, re-tighten the axle and re-apply the quick-release as shown in Step 1.

To reassemble your device, follow these instructions in reverse order.